# RYDER GOBBLED **ALL PLUMBING WORK FOR CITY**

O'Brien Testifies He Couldn't Get Any After Their Partnership Was Dissolved.

NO PUBLIC BIDDING

Bills Were Drawn in O'Brien's Name Alone While Ryder Was Alderman.

Joseph W. O'Brien, of the plumbing of O'Brien & Ryder, appeared as witness to-day in the investigation of city departments under Borough President Ahearn before the Commis sioners of Accounts.

It was this concern that figured so ively in the testimony of William Dalton, the deposed Commissioner of Works, who alleged that Presient Ahearn turned practically all of the airs in public buildings over to it formality of bidding. ton testified that when President Ahearn d for his resignation two weeks ago ve his own official head" he of to let Dalton have all of the work as soon as Ryder, a sick man, had passed on.

dent Ahearn came out with a dental of the bulk of Dalton's ny. In reference to that part of rning Ryder and his anticiath President Aheara said

ed O'Brien on the witness stand. testified that for two years he h the Metropolitan Equipm any, which appears to have had 's departments. Max Cramer ad-under oath yesterday that he he Metropolitan Equipment Com-

Company's orders came to him th Patrick Ward, jantter of the Court Building. The witness hat all of the bills were paid di by the Bureau of Public Buildsource of the orders-Janitos

O'Brien on the Stand

ien appeared in response to a er and was no longer in partner-with Patrick J. Ryder. rien said that the partnership wa

ved last June and that it began

Blue the dissolution he has not
in the city repair business.

ALARMS PASSENGERS

ent to the District-Attorney's office in answer to an invitation served on him last night by Mr. Smyth.

tioned by Mr. Jeronice and Mr. Smyth m Tegard to ins actions as Super netendent of Public Bulldings. In the investigation into Borough President America office the propers found that checks paid to firms for city work were in many cases identical in amount to deposits made in banks to the credit of Walker.

Walker was closeted with Jerome and Smyth for two and a half hours, during which lime a stenographer was called into the office. Deputy Assistant District Attorney Appleton was called

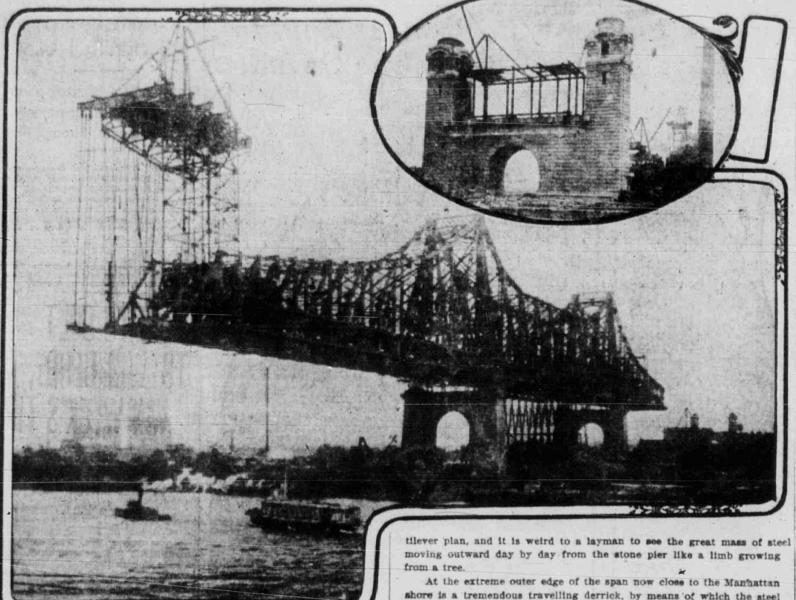
### Ha-Ha! He-He! Ho-Ho!

"Say, 'Mandy, ain't it a good thing that feller told us about usin' a World 'Lost and Found'

"If it hadn't been for him we never would have found our car-

"Them World 'Want' ads. ertainly take the cake."

Bridge Building Extraordinary --- How the Blackwell's Island Structure Progresses.



BOUT the most interesting sight in the city to-day is visible along the Yorkville water-front, where the great Blackwell's Island Bridge is creeping in toward the shore. From the terrace between the foot of Fifty-eighth and Fifty-ninth streets every move of the workmen can be seen, and a good idea can be gained of the wonderful way in which scientific principles are applied to mechanics.

The middle span of the bridge crossing Blackwell's Island was built upon false work. The two remaining spans are being built on the can-

shore is a tremendous travelling derrick, by means of which the steel beams and supports are hoisted from barges in the river and swung into place upon the main structure. The weight of this derrick and of the machinery that controls it would seem to an ordinary observer to be sufficient to cause the collapse of the whole business.

At the rate the work is progressing the bridge will be completed before the end of summer, but travel may not be inaugurated until the Manhattan terminal is completed.

Nearly all the buildings on the terminal site east of First avenue between Fifty-ninth and Sixtieth streets, have been demolished, and work has been begun on the overhead structure.

## FIRE ON OCEAN LINER KUROKI IN BOSTON HAS A BUSY TIME

is very busy engaging singers for the next season at his Manhattan Opera. House in New York City. He hopes to

Beachy, the aeronaut who sailed his aimship last year from Luna Park Washington, to the Capitol, has bee digased from June 20 to 30 by the management of Happyland, Staten Isl and, to give two assensions a day.

His contract calls for him to make trip from Happyland to New York an Island to Mappyland to New York and Joseph Schneider, twenty-four years old, of No. 4 Albany street, and Joseph Schneider, twenty-four years old, of No. 5 Albany street. Their wounds were dressed by doctors from Gouverneur and Hudson Street Hospitals.

As Mme. Melba and Emma Eames

are incompatible, as he puts it, he has dropped all consideration of Mme. Enmes and engaged Mary Garden, a

singer who has made a distinct impres-sion at the Opera Comique here, espe-

Mr. Hammerstein had to exercise all tis remarkable diplomacy in determin-

ing the all-important question of pre-

larden to concede precedence to Melba.

FIVE BILLS BEFORE MAYOR.

Public Hearing To-Morrow or

Important City Legislation

Mayor McClellan will give public hear-

sinking Fund Commission to fix the

stocks and bonds of the city; another is for the same purpose, taking in

transit railways, and a third is to

bolish the officesof Recorder and City

Judge and provide for seven judges of

General Seasons:
Another bill provides for a memorial
water gate to be erected in honor o
Robert Fulton, the steamboat inventor
and the fifth is to acquire lands of
Prospect Heights in Brooklyn for edu
cational purposes.

cedence between these two prima don-

three-story building at No. 82 Park Row yeaterday afternoon when a flimsy portion of the second floor collapsed, recipitating them to the ground floor. They fell into a plie of bricks and all



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**BIG WIFE MAKES** WEE MAN SLEEP UNDER THE BED

Unless She Varies Her Humor and Stows Him in Bureau Drawer.

A sad-eyed little man, with an unpronounceable hame, spelled Bjelick Yorkville Court to-day charged with abandonment. He said his given name was Joseph. He had been arrested in quest of his wife, Mary.

Mary is an ample woman with an arm many a wrestler might be proud She is not very tall, but her width is almost the same as her height. With arms akimbo, her chubby hands rest ng on her spreading hips, she addressed he Court in atorrent of words. The gist of her charge was that, two months ago. Joseph had descried her and her two children. He had failed to provide for her support.

Magistrate Finn asked the pensive lit tle man, who was chewing his thumb ed tatively, "Only this," responded Bjelick, blink-

ing his eyes nervously, as he stepped a ittle away from his wife. "She beats ne 3% days in the year and makes me sleep under the bed."

Bureau Drawer His Berth.

'What?" cried the Court. "You amaze ne. I have heard of men beating their wives as a matter of clock-work routine, but this is a new one on me. And she makes you sleep under the bed, too? What is the trouble? Is the bed narrow?" and the Magistrate shut one eye and studied the figure of the complain ant with the other. "Oh, the bed's large enough, all right.

replied Bjelick. "It isn't that. It's tantrums. Sometimes she tries to crowd me in the bureau drawer." "Impossible," said the Court, "and such a mice, large, amiabie-looking

woman, too. You can't mean that she beats you every day." "I do mean it," returned the prisner, as his little, bealy eyes snapped. Every time she finds fault with any thing I do or say she lands on me and

"Slaps you?" asked "Battery Dan." "Slaps me, nothing," spoke up the ttle man shrilly. "She hooks one over that would bruise the ear of an elephant and down I go. If I make even gurgle I get another wallop that jars ne till my bones rattle.'
"And when she tells you to get under

he bed, do you obey?"
"Do I obey? What else is there for the to do? I don't want to be ground



Does He Sleep Under the Bed?



Exhibit A-One Three Hundred and Sixty-fifth.



And She Tucked Him Away.

TROLLEY CAR KNOCKS MAN OFF FIRE TRUCK

Hospital. While returning from a fire at No. dawn to-day, the truck of Hook and Ladder Company No. 64 was struck, in Fifth avenue, by a trolley car in charge of Motorman John Oleson. Fireman Louis Bialr was huried to the pavement

Blair, Cut and Bruised About

Head, Is Taken to

No. 413 Forty-first street. The fire is believed to have been caused by a game cock in the chicken house of John Mulvaney picking up the head of a much and igniting it in trytung to see if it wasn't a nice fat worm

and badly hurt. He was sent to the

Norwegian Hospital. Blair's home is at

The chicken-house was soon flaming

### COURT SPOILS BUNCO GAME.

Dark Way of Getting Watch Gets Negro Into Trouble.

"You are wasting your talents among the dusky citizens of the West Side when a ripe field awaits you among the Broadway con men," said Magis-trate Cornell to-day to Carter Johnson, of No. 321 West Forty-first street, when Johnson came into the West Side Court on a summons obtained by James Kinof No. 300 West Forty-sixth street. Both are negroes. Kinioch says that on Tuesday Carter asked to see his watch, took it and then bet that see his watch, took it and then bet that the timeplece wasn't kinioca's. They posted watch and dollar bets with a plans player in a dance hall. Kinioch showed by a dealer that he owned the watch But the stakeholder said he had received the watch and bets from Carter Johnson and to him would he return them. Johnson willingly returned the valuable to-day and all departed chuckling over the Magistrate's comment.

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